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The people will remark
We generally "Aim to please,"
And always "Hit the mark."

THE BIG DEPARTMENT STORE

WELLINGTON, OHIO.

You don't need to pay extravagant
prices for good groceries. There are
no better goods in the market than
we sell, and no prices more reasonable.

The greatest array of strictly up-to-date merchandise that has been my good fortune to place before the public is now ready for your inspection. While in the great City of New York, I picked up some rare bargains and offer them to you at a small margin of profit. Nowhere in the great state of Ohio, for the size of the town, can you find a store equal to the Big Department Store of your own little burg. No concern undersells us and very few sell as cheap. Come and share some of the good values waiting for you



I wish to call your special attention to our fine display of Japanese China on second floor. Some very beautiful and artistic designs make very nice wedding presents and holiday gifts. All lovers of china should not miss their opportunity as it is the finest ever shown in town.
Prices are very reasonable, ranging from

25c to \$12.50



SHOES!

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We have not said much about shoes lately! They have advanced you know, but we have not advanced our prices yet. 90 per cent of our stock was bought before the advance. You can not find a better line than we show; there isn't any better, and then another thing, if our shoes don't wear, we'll make 'em good.



Prices from
\$1.25 to
\$4.00

We just received 125 cases of rubber goods
When in need, give us a call.

School Shoes.

I have a special lot of Shoes for boys and girls. These shoes will stand a good deal of knocking about and "stopping." At the same time they are neat and comfortable. The prices are right, too. Call and see them and you will be tempted to buy. Please notice styles and prices of shoes in our window.

Lamps in Basement.

Our lamps are now ready for your inspection. We never had a more complete line. The decorations are beautiful and styles are correct. Price for lamps complete from

10c to \$14.00.

Fancy China Cup and Saucers, 10c to \$1.00
Fancy China Plates from 10c to \$1.00

Fancy Sugars and Creamers, Cake plates, salad dishes. Don't buy until you see the line.

Men's Furnishings.

1 case of men's strictly all wool, camel hair Underwear, never sells less than \$1.00 all sizes, shirts 34 to 50, drawers 30 to 46. Special price, a garment 87c

1 case of men's heavy, fleece lined Underwear, ribbed tail, pearl buttons, overcast seam. Compare with any 50c garment. Our price..... 40c

Men's fine silk fleece lined Underwear, those who wear fine goods, we invite your attention.

Boy's heavy fleece lined Underwear 25c, 40c and 50c.

Men's Black and white strips Shirts... 37c

Duck Coats, Overalls, Jumpers, Sox, and Suspenders.

Grocery Department.

Always clean and fresh. All kinds of provisions. Hams, shoulders, roulette hams, dried beef, white fish, trout, mackerel, salmon, halibut.

CANNED GOODS.

Salmon, mackerel, brook trout, sardines, potted ham, develed tongue, roast beef, corned beef, lobsters, apricots, peaches, cherries, peas, beans, corn, succotash, tomatoes. No one is better equipped to serve you.

Enjoy your morning coffee, there is pleasure in every cup of our White Star Brand, its odor alone is an apitzer. Prices 20c, 25c, 30c and 35c.

Everything fresh here except the clerks.



\$20,000 STOCK
OF
CLOTHING and
FURNISHINGS.



HATS, CAPS.

AND

UNDERWEAR.

MENS, BOYS and CHILDRENS SUITS and OVERCOATS

Having purchased my entire stock of Fall and Winter Clothing during my trip to New York, I am more able to place on sale better clothing at lower prices than ever before which is of the best grades and very newest styles and makes. Which cannot be excelled anywhere in Quality, Make and Price.

200 Men's all wool Suits at \$3.90, \$4.25, \$4.80
200 Men's all wool Suits at \$5.00, \$5.75, \$6.50
200 Men's very fine, all wool Suits at \$8.00, \$9.00, \$10.00, \$11.00
300 Men's extra fine makes from \$12.00 to \$18.00
Boys' Knee Pants, Suits with Vests, age 8 to 16 \$3.75 to \$12.00
Boys' Knee Pants, Suits without Vests, ages 6 to 16 98c to \$7.00
Boys' Vestee Suits, very fine make, ages 3 to 8 98c to \$5.00
Boys' heavy, Top Coats, very newest makes and styles \$1.80 to \$4.00
Boys' heavy Overcoats, very newest makes and styles \$1.39 to \$10.00
Boys' heavy Ulsters, good make and quality \$2.75 to \$8.00
500 Boys' Knee Pants 19c
500 Boys' Knee Pants 59c to \$1.25
Men's all wool, French Beaver Ulsters \$5.00
5 dozen Men's Dewey Ulsters \$8.25
5 dozen all wool Overcoats from \$5.00 to \$15.00
50 Men's extra fine style and made Overcoats \$4.00 to \$20.00
Men's Pea Jacket Coat, all wool, with large collars \$3.50, worth \$5
500 Pair Men's Trousers from 75c to \$5.00

Try a pair of Dutchess Trousers. They are warranted.

We know of other good stores, but we know none better than this. Our store is a wonderland, but our adds are not fairy tales. D. B. Goodsell.

THE BIG DEPARTMENT STORE

D. B. GOODSSELL.

Selling below cost closes the store.
Pretending to do so cheats the customer. We make money on every article sold.
D. B. Goodsell.

WOMAN'S COLUMN.

"The melancholy days are come, the saddest of the year:
Of wailing winds, and naked woods, and meadows brown and sear."

At the business meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society, held last Friday in the Sunday school of the Congregational church, the following officers were elected:

President—Mrs. S. K. Laundon.

1st Vice-President—Mrs. G. H. Palmer.

2d Vice-President—Mrs. F. W. Bennett.

Secretary—Mrs. Bentley Vischer.

Treasurer—Miss Elizabeth Johns.

Programs are soon to be issued outlining a course of study for the year.

The November meeting will consist of a "platform drill," participated in by six ladies.

The Woman's Afternoon Club will meet at the home of Mrs. L. L. Chapman on Tuesday, Oct. 17. The following is the program:

Quotations. (John Fiske.)

"Glimpses of Russia's Vast Territory."

—Mrs. Gardner.

Review of "Through Nature to God."—Mrs. S. K. Warner.

Vacation Notes.—Conversation led by Mrs. Waggoner.

The Sorosis meets with Mrs. E. L. Benedict on Tuesday, Oct. 17. The following is the program:

Pontiac.—A character sketch.—Mrs. Metcalf.

"The Knickerbocker City."—Mrs. Adams.

Conversations.—"Pleasure Excursions."—Mrs. Branson.

Music.—Mrs. Wadsworth.

Mrs. Potter Palmer's Diary.

Mrs. Potter Palmer, who is a feminine Edison for inventing new and captivatings ideas, has been the one to revive interest in diary writing. To her active and original mind it became evident that if something was not done the women of to-day would leave none of those intimate, valuable and always amusing documents of their lives and thoughts and emotions to the generations of the twentieth century. For is it not by means of their letters and diaries we know so

much of our ancestresses of the eighteenth century?

Acting on her own able initiative Mrs. Palmer has for years kept a diary of her life as she has known it. Great people she has met and entertained, great events as they have touched her interests, comments on the changing fashions in dress, scraps of witty conversation, reflections on manners, criticisms of the popular books—all have found place in her diary, which faithfully reflects the days and thoughts of a great lady of nineteenth hundred and which cannot fail to deeply interest posterity. Her example is now being generally followed in society, and to keep up her diary is one of the daily tasks of the fashionable woman, though not all of them follow Mrs. Palmer's plan.

For example, Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish, whose brilliant notes are repeated at dinner tables, is recording her experience in a set of letters dedicated to her great-granddaughter. Mrs. Golet is collecting in a book all her most interesting correspondence from all parts of the world, copying down often her clever, newsy replies to interesting epistles received. Miss Hewitt is preparing the autobiography of a society woman from her own varied and unforgettingly interesting experiences in society, in the arts, in philanthropy, etc. Nobody but the authors of these compilations knows what is in them, and they are put together not to possibly ever see the light in print nor come under public gaze, but to delight and edify posterity in the ladies' families and to be cherished as precious heirlooms as we to-day hoard the diaries, letters and samplers of our grandmothers.—Emily Holt in Sunday Leader.

It is not alone the society woman who is benefited by keeping such a record. Diary writing helps to form a habit of careful attention, not only in listening to conversation, but also in reading. Much reading is simply a loss, because there is no attempt made to preserve in the memory any of the thoughts read.

By cultivating this habit, the mind may be trained "to observe accurately and define picturesquely."

Extract from Miss Garth's sermon in the "Silent Partner":

Oh, you, men and women—and you, boys and girls; Christ's way is a patient way, it is a pure way, it is a way that cares more for another world than for this one, and more to be holy than to be happy, and more for other folks than for itself.

It is a long way and a winding way, but it's a good way and a true way, and there's comfort in it, and there's joy at the end of it, and there's Christ all over it, and I pray God to lead you in it, every one—forever.

OPAL, OCTOBER BIRTH MONTH STONE.

October's Child is born for woe,
And life's vicissitudes must know;
But lay an opal on her breast,
And hope will lull those woes to rest.

In Ten Alcott's work, "Gems, Talismans and Guardians," and in Geo. F. Kunz's "Natal Stones," the opal is given as the birth month stone for October. Jones and Emanuel do not give the opal as the October stone, but as they do not agree between themselves we are inclined to accept Ten Alcott's and Kunz's selection. Mr. Kunz in addition to quoting the above stanza gives the following couplet, which reflects the same sentiment:

Fair October wears the opal's frost
And fire
Hope and courage in misfortune to inspire.

The ancients venerated the opal as a stone of good omen, and invested it "with power to banish evil spirits, to inspire pure thoughts and to induce sweet dreams." They called it the "love stone." Pliny gives an account of a Roman Senator, who possessed a beautiful opal, which was coveted by Marcus Antonius, who wished to present it to Cleopatra. The Senator refused to part with the jewel, and was finally exiled on that account.

Queen Victoria, who has a strong liking for the opal, has done much to allay superstitious ideas concerning it, bestowing opals as jewel gifts upon her friends. In the heraldry of birth, if a man is born in October he will possess a handsome face. A woman who claims October as her natal month will be endowed with coquetry and prettiness, and is likely to be unhappy unless she wears an opal.

BLACKED H'S BOOTS.

A True Story of Judge Nash's Young Manhood.

EARLY STRUGGLES AS A TEACHER

Two Incidents Which Show the Modest, Earnest Character of the Next Governor of Ohio in His Younger Days. Experience as a Teacher.

Columbus, Sept. 33.—This little incident happened many, many years ago. It happened before the war of the rebellion and is a true story:

A youth, with gray eyes and brown hair, and whose face a razor had never touched, was standing one bright morning blacking his boots on the back steps of a farmhouse. The youth was the district school teacher. He was going to a campaign meeting and he was trying to brush up his appearance so that he might not be frowned upon by the fair maidens, who, almost of his age, were yet his pupils in the nearby schoolhouse. As the youth rubbed away at his shoes the farmer with whom he lived appeared in the doorway. He watched the boy—for boy the teacher was—with interest. He saw the yellow, well worn and mud-specked boots of the schoolteacher turn black, a dull black, and then as the strong muscle worked the brush faster and faster, he saw the surfaces turn shiny. Soon the boots, into which the schoolteacher's well worn and homely made trousers were tucked, were a mirrored black. The farmer glanced down at his own boots. They were yellow with long wear and no blacking. He glanced again at the schoolteacher's boots and just as the latter was putting the finishing touches to the job he asked, curiously:

"How did you get such a good shine on your boots, anyhow?"

The schoolteacher glanced up. Then he looked down at the yellow boots of the farmer.

"Put your boots up here and I'll show you," he replied, and suiting action to the word he moved the blacking box and brushes near the elder man, and after carefully cleaning the mud from the heels and from around the soles, he applied the blacking. Then he rubbed the brushes vigorously over the blackened surface, and the farmer's boots soon shone like the youth's.

The farmer watched the youth curiously during the operation. When the boots were blackened he looked at them critically. Then he asked: "How much do I owe ye, anyhow, for all that?"

"Oh, that's all right," was the happy reply. "When I'm nominated for governor of Ohio vote for me, and I'll call it square."

The youth who made that reply was George K. Nash, who is now the Republican candidate for governor of Ohio. The man to whom he spoke was Stephen Kinnear, now long since dead, but who at one time was one of the staunch Republicans and one of the well-to-do and thrifty farmers of Pickaway county. It was Judge Nash's first long absence from home. The money he earned was the first he ever made by his own efforts. He tells the story with keen relish. If there are any Kinnears alive down in Pickaway county they will vote for Judge Nash. They owe their votes to him, for Stephen Kinnear never fulfilled his part of the contract. He died before the opportunity came.

Judge Nash told me that story the other evening when I was chatting with him regarding his life. He told it then and laughed heartily, and the laugh had no sooner brightened his features than it departed, leaving the judge with a reminiscent expression on his face. The days when he was a schoolteacher, when all his life and brilliant career were in front of him, were flooding over his mind in pleasant succession. For perhaps a full minute the judge sat thus silent, when a smile stole over his features. The smile brightened into a laugh, and the next moment the laugh was shaking his sides. Another pleasant recollection had come to him.

"I don't know whether this ought ever to be published or not," he began. "George Allen might not like it. But say," and again the judge laughed heartily, "do you know that that boy was the meanest, most rascally boy I had in my school. He was almost as old as I was and he had the reputation of having whipped almost every teacher that taught that school. Why when I took the school one of the trustees warned me. He said I'd better watch a little out or the boys would throw me out. I was young, I admit it, and the trustee was warning me on that account. I told him I guessed I'd take a chance, and, do you know, almost from the first day I began teaching the school I had trouble with George Allen. Who is he? Oh, he lives up at Bellefontaine, and he's quite a prominent politician up there. Yea, he's held office there. Been county auditor, I think. Well, one day, when he was a little more annoying than ever, I decided the time had come to bring him to time, and say, I did lick him. Well, sir," and the thought of it again brought a laugh from the judge, "do you know, from that time on he was the best boy I had in the school. His father and mother always used to stick up for him in his troubles, but when I licked him I heard afterward he went to his sister and begged her not to tell his father. From that time on I could always rely upon him as an ally."—Franklin Hall in Cleveland Plain Dealer.

HOW TO PREVENT CROUP.
We have two children who are subject to attacks of croup. Whenever an attack is coming on my wife gives them Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and it always prevents the attack. It is a household necessity in this county and no matter what else we run out of, it would not do to be without Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. More of it is sold here than of all other cough medicines combined.—J. M. Nickle, of Nickle Bros., merchants, Nickleville, Pa. For sale by Near & Wells.

Twelve Calls in One Month.
During the month of September, the Elyria Business College received twelve calls for stenographers and bookkeepers and placed seven graduates in positions. One of these was for a teacher of the commercial branches. Miss Mary Babcock entered the Shorthand department Monday of this week. A number more entered at the same time. Another shorthand division will be started Nov. 1.

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